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BEN TENNYSON
FIFTEEN-YEAR-OLD BEN CAN BECOME ANY OF TEN COSMICALLY POWERFUL ALIENS THROUGH THE *OMNITRIX*, THE MYSTERIOUS DEVICE ON HIS WRIST. HE GAVE UP THE HERO BUSINESS FOR A WHILE, BUT NOW HE'S BACK TO DEFEND THE EARTH FROM THE GROWING ALIEN THREAT!

GOOP
SINGLE-CELLED POLYMORPH

BIG CHILL
FREEZING, INTANGIBILITY

BRAINSTORM
INTELLIGENCE, ELECTRICITY

JETRAY
SUPERSONIC FLIGHT

CHROMASTONE
LIGHT AND ENERGY CASTING

SPIDERMONKEY
AGILITY, WEB SPINNING

SWAMPFIRE
COMPOST POWERS

HUMONGOUSAUR
STRENGTH, SIZE

GWEN TENNYSON
BEN'S COUSIN IS FIFTEEN AND A SKILLED MARTIAL ARTIST. GWEN CAN ALSO MANIPULATE MANNA, THE HIDDEN MYSTIC ENERGY THAT PERMEATES ALL OF NATURE.

ECHO ECHO
SONIC BLASTS, MULTIPLICATION

KEVIN ETHAN LEVIN
BEN'S FORMER NEMESIS, KEVIN 11, IS NOW HIS ALLY. SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD KEVIN CAN ABSORB THE PROPERTIES OF SOLID SUBSTANCES THROUGH HIS TOUCH.

????

NO WAY!
SOMEBODY JACKED MY RIDE! WE WERE ONLY GONE WHAT, A HALF HOUR?
GEEZ, KEVIN. ALL THOSE LEVEL 5 ALIEN GADGETS, AND YOU NEVER PUT IN A BURGLAR ALARM?
JULIE? GOTTA CANCEL OUT. YES, AGAIN...
I THOUGHT HERO TIME WAS OVER.
BUT EVER SINCE I PUT THE OMNITRIX BACK ON, IT'S LIKE THERE'S A NEW THREAT ALL THE TIME.
I GOT A BUNCH OF ALARMS, GWEN. TRACKING DEVICES, TOO. BUT NOTHING'S SHOWING UP.
ESPECIALLY SINCE I LOST GRANDPA MAX TO THE HIGHBREED. NOW IT'S ALL ON ME.
SO, THIS IS A THING.
GWEN? ANY CHANCE YOU CAN FIND THE CAR?

THE NEW ORDER

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MR. S OOTH

HOLD MY HAND.

EXCUSE ME?

IF I SAMPLE YOUR BIOENERGY I CAN LOCATE THE *SWEAT* YOU JUST LEFT ON THE DRIVER'S SEAT.

GROSS.

BUT KINDA AWESOME.

WHOA, THE CAR'S MILES FROM HERE.

GET READY TO RIDE, GUYS...

JET RAY!

BOOM

DOWN THERE!

A CASTLE. WHICH MEANS *FOREVER KNIGHTS.*

PUT ME DOWN, TENNYSON, BEFORE THEY TRADE ALL MY ALIEN TECH TO THEIR B.F.F.S THE *HIGHBREED.*

FOR THE GLORY OF THE *ORDER...*

FIRE!

GO CAR HUNTING-- I *GOT* THIS!

FIRE!

CHOOM

CHOOM

MISS!

HERE'S WHAT YOU *MEANT...*

SHAK

KOOM

RETREAT!

COME ON...

...YOU TECHIE ROUND-TABLE TYPES USUALLY PUT UP MORE OF A *FIGHT.*

RELEASE THE DRAGON!

RAWWWR!

WHOOPS! THAT'S MORE LIKE IT.

BETTER BUMP UP MY WEIGHT CLASS...

HUMONGOUSAUR!

RAWWWR!

I WAS JUST GONNA SAY THAT.

FOOMP

=KAFF KAFF= EW, DID YOU JUST SHOOT SPORES AT ME? WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO--

=YAWN=

ZZZZ

KHUDD

FASTER, MY ELECTRO-MULES! OPEN THE SEA-GATE!

THE CASTLE IS *NOTHING!* WE HAVE KEVIN 11'S *AUTOMOBILE.* IT'S LOADED WITH ALIEN WIDGETS!

HUZZAH!

HUZZAH!

CHK CHK CHK CHK

THERE! C'MON!

BEN'S DOWN!

HE CAN TAKE CARE OF HIMSELF. I *NEED* MY *CAR!*

WHATEVER.

=ZZZNORK= ...HUH?

OH, *MAN...*

OVER HERE, PUFFY!

=COUGH= CAREFUL! THIS THING'S *SPORES* CAN KNOCK YOU OUT!

SHOOM

SHOOM

BETTER COVER MY MOUTH, THEN.

GO, KEVIN!

YOU OWE ME A CAR, TENNYSON.

I'M ON IT. GEEZ!

THOOMP

BIG CHILL!

DIVE, MEN! DIVE! AS YOU VALUE YOUR ORDER!

WHOOOOO

KRAKKK!

LOOKS TO ME LIKE YOU'RE *OUT* OF ORDER.

FIGHTING ALIENS, KEEPING THESE KNIGHTS FROM SELLING OUT THE PLANET, AND NOW CAR REPOSSESSION.

IT'S ALL ON ME.

BUT I'M READY.

END

HIGHBREED
A FEARSOME, POWERFUL ALIEN SPECIES THAT WERE THE VERY FIRST INTELLIGENT LIFE-FORMS IN THE UNIVERSE AND, AS SUCH, FEEL A NATURAL *SUPERIORITY* OVER ALL OTHER CREATURES. NO ONE KNOWS WHAT THE HIGHBREED'S DIABOLICAL MASTER PLAN IS, BUT THEY HAVE RECENTLY TAKEN AN INTEREST IN THE EARTH.

FOREVER KNIGHTS
A MYSTERIOUS GROUP OF HUMANS WHO TRADE IN ILLEGAL ALIEN TECHNOLOGY AND ARE IN A DARK *ALLIANCE* WITH THE DNALIENS.

DNALIENS
LOYAL SERVANTS OF THE HIGHBREED, THE DNALIENS ARE THEIR MASTERS' NAMELESS, FACELESS WORKER DRONES ON EARTH. FUTURISTIC "IDENTITY MASK" TECHNOLOGY ALLOWS THEM TO *DISGUISE* THEMSELVES AS HUMANS.

WHERE IS THE ALIEN TECH YOU PROMISED US, *BEN TENNYSON?*

HERE.

AND THERE'S *PLENTY* MORE WHERE THIS CAME FROM.

IF THE *PRICE* IS RIGHT.

BAD BOY

EXCELLENT.

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UH OH. WHAT'S *KEVIN* UP TO NOW?

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'D BETRAY US LIKE THIS, *KEV*--

GWEN!

MY *COUSIN* GWEN.

COUSIN?

HOW'D YOU FIND ME HERE, *COUSIN* GWEN?

UH, SIMPLE. BY TRACING THE ENERGY YOU LEFT BEHIND ON *THIS*--

PLAYING *DRESS-UP* TODAY?

I'VE GOT *BUSINESS* TO TAKE CARE OF. LEAVE ME ALONE.

WHATEVER IT IS YOU'RE DOING, *STOP!*

KA-SHUNK

DON'T MAKE ME HAVE TO SAY IT *AGAIN.*

QUIT IT, WILL YOU? THE *DNALIENS* MIGHT HEAR!

WHAT WAS THAT?

IT'S *BEN TENNYSON* AND ANOTHER *HUMAN!*

SEIZE HER!

STAND BACK--I GOT THIS!

YAAAH!

KA-CHOOM

GWEN CAN HANDLE HERSELF. GOTTA STICK TO THE PLAN.

KEVIN!

SCREECH

AND HE TOTALLY HAS THE DNALIENS *FOOLED* INTO THINKING HE'S *YOU!*

GOOD.

GOOD?!

"YOU KNOW, BEN, I WASN'T SURE *HOW* YOU WERE GOING TO TAKE THE NEWS THAT KEVIN HAS TURNED OUT TO BE SO *UNTRUSTWORTHY.*

"BUT I NEVER WOULD HAVE GUESSED YOU'D BE *HAPPY* ABOUT IT!

"ARE YOU JUST TRYING TO RUB IT IN? THAT THE GUY I *LIKE* IS STILL ONE OF THE *BAD* GUYS AFTER ALL?

"'CAUSE THAT'S *REAL* MATURE OF YOU."

I KNOW EXACTLY WHAT KEVIN'S BEEN DOING, GWEN. BECAUSE *I'M THE ONE WHO PUT HIM UP TO IT!*

BEEP BEEP BEEP

=GASP=

THAT WAS A *SIGNAL* FROM KEVIN! SOMETHING'S GONE WRONG!

TIME FOR THE *REAL BEN TENNYSON* TO SWING INTO ACTION, AS--

SPIDERMONKEY!

WHY DIDN'T YOU AND KEVIN LET *ME* IN ON YOUR LITTLE *PLAN?* WHATEVER IT IS.

KEVIN MADE ME PROMISE NOT TO. IN CASE ANYTHING WENT *WRONG,* HE DIDN'T WANT YOU IN HARM'S WAY.

GREAT. AND LOOK WHO *DID* END UP IN *HARM'S WAY!*

UH, IT'S THE *THOUGHT* THAT COUNTS?

YOU HAVE DELIVERED THE *OMNITRIX* RIGHT INTO THE HANDS OF THE *HIGHBREED!* FOOLISH *BEN TENNYSON!*

THAT'S MY NAME. DON'T WEAR IT OUT.

THAT'S *NOT* BEN TENNYSON!

I AM!

HEY. HOW YA DOING?

BETTER NOW.

DESTROY THEM *BOTH.*

AAAND I'M BACK TO DOING NOT SO GOOD.

GRAHRGH!

EW. THAT'S *DISGUSTING!*

SPLOOP

LIKE *THAT'S* NOT?

CLANG

STOP! OR I'LL DESTROY WHAT YOU'RE BOTH *REALLY* HERE FOR...

...THIS *ALIEN TECH* BELONGING TO ONE *MAXWELL TENNYSON!*

SLURRP

GRANDPA MAX!

HOW DOES THE HIGHBREED KNOW WHAT OUR PLAN'S *REALLY* BEEN ABOUT ALL THIS TIME, KEVIN?

LUCKY *GUESS,* I GUESS.

OUR DNALIENS MAY BE MINDLESS DRONES, BUT YOU *CANNOT OUTSMART* THE HIGHBREED!

WE ARE *SUPERIOR* TO ALL CREATURES IN EVERY WAY!

IN *EVERY* WAY?

CHOOM

GWEN!

ONE OF YOU GET THE *TECH!*

KEVIN?

BOOM
I'M ON IT!
AHHHH!
UNGH! HEADS UP, GOOP!
SWAP
GOT IT!
CLICK
BWOOOOOO
NNOOOO...
NNOOOO...
OOOOOO
UHH OHH... THHIS IS NNOT A GGOOD TTIME TTO BBE AN *ALLIENN!*
WHEW. EVERYBODY *OKAY?*
THAT WAS *BRAVE,* IMPERSONATING BEN TO GAIN THE *TRUST* OF THOSE DNALIENS TO TRY TO GET GRANDPA MAX'S TECH BACK, WITHOUT HAVING TO PUT THE REAL OMNITRIX IN *JEOPARDY.*
I *KNOW.*
YOU'RE A REAL *HERO,* KEVIN.
SORRY I EVER DOUBTED YOUR *LOYALTY* TO BEN AND TO THE CAUSE. AND TO *ME.*
I KEEP TELLING YOU GUYS, MY BAD BOY DAYS ARE OVER. AND I MEAN IT.
FOR NOW, ANYWAY...
End

LOOK OUT! THERE ARE STILL A COUPLE OF DNALIENS LEFT!

KA-CHOOM

NOT FOR LONG. HAVE SOME SWAMPFIRE!

FWOOSH

BEEP BEEP BEEP

WHY DOES YOUR PLUMBER'S BADGE KEEP BEEPING, KEVIN?

LIKE I WOULD KNOW?

BEEP BEEP BEEP

NICE SHOT, BEN.

FWOOSH

THAT WASN'T ME! IT'S--

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HEATBLAST?!

FWISS

ALAN? IS THAT YOU?

HEY, BEN. HOW'S IT GOING?

GOOD TO SEE YOU *AGAIN.*

GWEN, KEVIN? YOU GUYS REMEMBER *ALAN ALBRIGHT?*

AS IF WE COULD FORGET.

THANKS FOR *SAVING KEVIN* BACK THERE.

OW! WHAT'D YOU DO THAT FOR? YOU JUST *ELBOWED* ME, GWEN!

SO MUCH FOR SUBTLETY. SAY THANK YOU TO ALAN.

OH. THAT. UH, THANKS.

SO, WHAT ARE YOU *DOING* HERE IN *BELLWOOD?*

I OVERHEARD MY DAD'S ORDERS...

...TO *ARREST HIM!*

KEVIN--

WHAT DID YOU DO?!

NOTHING, I SWEAR!

RECENTLY.

THEN WHY DO THE *PLUMBERS* HAVE AN *ALL-POINTS BULLETIN* OUT FOR YOU?

HOW WOULD YOU KNOW? OH, THAT'S RIGHT. YOUR *DAD* IS ONE OF THOSE *INTERGALACTIC COP GUYS.*

DON'T THINK *YOU'RE* SO SPECIAL. MY MOM TOLD ME *MY DAD* WAS A PLUMBER *TOO.*

AS SOON AS I HEARD THEY WERE COMING AFTER YOU, I USED THE PLUMBER'S BADGE MY *DAD GAVE ME* A WHILE BACK TO *TRACK YOURS.*

BEEP BEEP BEEP

SMART.

BUT *WHAT MAKES YOU THINK...*

...I'M GOING TO COME *QUIETLY?!*

KRAK

AH!

STAY OUT OF THIS, *GWEN!*

KA-ZUNK

DEPUTY HEATBLAST JUNIOR HERE CAN FIGHT HIS OWN *BATTLES.*

FWOOM

LOOK, KEVIN, I'M JUST *TRYING* TO--

KER-WHAM

UNGHH!!

WHAT ARE YOU *DOING?!*

I THINK IT'S PRETTY *SELF-EXPLANATORY.*

KEEP IT UP, YOU TWO. GIVE ME A *REASON* TO BECOME *HUMONGOUSAUR!*

WAIT!

I'M *NOT* HERE TO TAKE KEVIN IN! I JUST CAME TO *WARN HIM* THAT HE'S ON THE PLUMBER'S *MOST WANTED LIST!*

OH. SORRY, DUDE. MY BAD.

SERIOUSLY, YOU GUYS. I CAN'T THINK OF ANY REASON *WHY* THE *PLUMBERS* WOULD BE OUT TO GET ME. *NOW.*

THINK HARDER.

UH, BEN?

I *THINK* WE'RE ABOUT TO *FIND OUT.*

HALT!

SCREECH

VA-ROOM

UM... NO?

FIRE!

KA-BOOM

WE'RE ON *YOUR* SIDE!
HEY! WATCH IT!
WE'RE THE *GOOD* GUYS!
YEAH. WHAT *THEY* SAID.
FIRE!
GET BEHIND ME!
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
HM, ALL THIS *ENERGY* IN THE AIR.
LOOKS LIKE A JOB FOR...
...CHROMASTONE!
I *DON'T* WANT TO *HURT YOU,* PLUMBERS! KEEP YOUR *ALIEN TECH* WEAPONS TO YOURSELVES, AND LET'S *TALK* THIS OVER.
KRAAK
TRUCE?
ZZT
NEVER!

THEY'RE ALL *DNALIENS!*

YOU TAKE *THAT ONE! I'LL* TAKE THESE *TWO!*

ALAN! LOOK OUT!

EW! DNALIEN *RESIN!* UH-OH, IT'S ALREADY *HARDENED.* I'M *STUCK!*

SPTOO

FWOOM

KLUD

COME ON, FASTER! MELT ALREADY!

TWO DOWN! *FOUR* TO GO!

TWO!

ZZZT

ONE!

FWOOSH

WHERE IS IT?

GRAHRGH!

KER-CLUNK

=gasp=

YOU'RE WELCOME.

FWISS

THANKS.

GLAD YOU'RE STILL ONE OF THE *GOOD GUYS* AFTER ALL.

WAS THERE EVER ANY *DOUBT?*

IT'S *NOT OVER* YET. WE'VE GOT TO LET THE *REAL PLUMBERS* KNOW THAT APB ABOUT KEVIN WAS A *FAKE MESSAGE* PLANTED BY SOME *DNALIENS.*

I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT. ER, I MEAN MY *DAD* WILL, ONCE I *TELL HIM.*

LUCKY GUY. IF *MY PLUMBER DAD* WAS STILL AROUND LIKE ALAN'S, MAYBE *I'D* HAVE A SHOT AT BECOMING A *PLUMBER MYSELF* SOMEDAY...

THE END

A BRIEF MYSTERY OF TIME

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GRAHRGH!

ANY TIME NOW, TENNYSON!

WE'VE GOT TO STOP THESE DNALIENS!

JUST A SECOND!

SIX DNALIENS? I KNOW JUST THE SIX-LIMBED GUY TO EVEN THESE ODDS...

SPIDERMONKEY!

FWWWIP

ARGH!

THESE WEBS ARE STRONG AS STEEL!

WHY, THANK YOU FOR NOTICING.

I MADE THEM MYSELF. =CHUCKLE=

BEN!

ZWOOP

HEY! WATCH IT, GWEN!

I MEAN, NICE SHOT, GWEN!

AH!

THIS BATTLE'S AS GOOD AS OVER!

BECAUSE WE'RE WRAPPING THINGS UP! =SNERK=

WHIZZZ

HA HA! I COULD DO THIS ALL DAY!

THERE'S ONE LEFT! GET HIM!

TAKE THAT!

WUUUMMM

OH, DUDE. WE'RE IN TROUBLE!

IT'S A--

WHY? WHAT DOES THAT THING DO?

GRAHRGH!

WE'VE GOT TO STOP THESE *DNALIENS!*

ANY *TIME* NOW, *TENNYSON!*

WHOA. I JUST GOT THE *WEIRDEST SENSE* OF *DEJA VU*. LIKE I'VE BEEN HERE *BEFORE.*

SIX DNALIENS? I KNOW JUST THE *SIX-LIMBED* GUY TO EVEN THESE ODDS...

SPIDERMONKEY!

ARGH!

THESE *WEBS* ARE *STRONG* AS *STEEL!*

FWWWIP

I GUESS I'VE BEEN IN SO *MANY BATTLES* AGAINST *DNALIENS*, THEY'RE ALL STARTING TO SEEM *FAMILIAR.*

BEN!

THANKS, GWEN!

ZWOOP

AH!

WHY DID YOU SAY "THANKS" BEFORE YOU SAW WHAT I WAS DOING?

I DON'T KNOW. LUCKY GUESS?

THIS BATTLE'S AS GOOD AS OVER--

BECAUSE WE'RE WRAPPING THINGS UP?

WHIZZ

THANKS A LOT FOR STEALING MY JOKE.

THERE'S--

--ONE LEFT? GET HIM! QUICK!

TAKE THAT!

WUUMMM

OH, DUDE. WE'RE IN TROUBLE!

WHY, KEVIN WHAT IS THAT THING?!

"GUMBALL?"

PROFESSOR PARADOX??

GOOD TO *SEE YOU AGAIN,* BEN. OR SHOULD I SAY, IT *WILL* HAVE BEEN GOOD TO *HAVE SEEN* YOU *AGAIN.* HAVE A *GUMBALL.* IT'LL CALM YOUR NERVES.

GRAHRGH!

WE'VE GOT TO STOP THESE *DNALIENS!*

ANY *TIME* NOW, TENNYSON!

THIS IS SO *STRANGE!*

NO *TIME* TO WORRY ABOUT IT, THOUGH. LET'S SEE...

SIX *DNALIENS?*

I KNOW JUST THE *SIX-LIMBED* GUY TO EVEN THESE ODDS...

SPIDERMONKEY!

YOU'RE A *TIME-TRAVELER,* PROFESSOR *PARADOX.* SO *YOU'RE* THE ONE WHO *CAUSED THIS!*

FWWWIP

ARGH!

THESE *WEBS* ARE *STRONG* AS *STEEL!*

BEN!

THANKS, GWEN. *AGAIN.*

ZWOOP

ME? CAUSE THIS? OH, MY, *NO.*

THAT *ILLEGAL LEVEL 7 TECH* THESE *DNALIENS* ACQUIRED IS FOR GENERATING A CONTROLLED *TIME LOOP.*

I'M AFRAID *YOU*, YOUR *FRIENDS*, AS WELL AS THESE *DNALIENS*--

--HAVE ALL BEEN *CAUGHT* IN THE *TIME LOOP*.

PRECISELY!

AH!

WHY DID YOU SAY "THANKS"--

--*BEFORE* I *SAW* WHAT YOU WERE DOING? JUST A *LUCKY GUESS*, *AGAIN*.

THE *GOOD NEWS* IS YOU'RE ALL GOING TO *LIVE FOREVER!*

THIS *BATTLE'S* AS GOOD AS *OVER*--

WHAT'S THE *BAD NEWS?*

BECAUSE WE'RE *WRAPPING THINGS UP!*

WHIZZZ

SORRY FOR *STEALING* YOUR *JOKE*, KEVIN.

AGAIN.

YOU'RE ALL *DOOMED* TO SPEND *ETERNITY* RIGHT *HERE*, GOING THROUGH THESE EXACT *SAME* MOTIONS *OVER AND OVER* AGAIN, UNTIL THE *END OF TIME*.

=GASP=

THERE'S--

--*ONE* LEFT! *GET* HIM *THIS TIME!*

QUANTITY OF LIFE VS. *QUALITY* OF LIFE. QUITE THE *QUANDARY!*

TAKE *THAT!*

WUUUMM

OH, DUDE. WE'RE IN *TROUBLE!*

WHY, KEVIN? *WHAT* DOES THAT THING *DO?!* WHAT'S *GOING ON* HERE?!

IT'S A--

I CAN'T SPEND ETERNITY *SMELLING* LIKE *SPIDERMONKEY!* HOW CAN WE *BREAK* THE *TIME LOOP?*

I HAVEN'T THE FOGGIEST IDEA. *YET.* I WON'T KNOW HOW UNTIL *YOU* TELL ME.

WE'VE GOT TO STOP THESE *DNALIENS!*

GRAHRGH!

ANY *TIME* NOW, *TENNYSON!*

I THINK I'M *LOSING* MY *MIND!*

IF ONLY *INSTEAD* OF SPIDERMONKEY, I HAD *CHOSEN* TO TURN INTO--

CHROMASTONE!

TAKE *THAT!*

OH, DUDE. WE'RE IN *TROUBLE!* IT'S A--

WUUUMMM

TIME-LOOP GENERATOR. BUT NOT FOR LONG!

KABOOM!

AH!

SMASH

WHERE DID THEY GO?

YOU MEAN WHEN DID THEY GO.

I'M EXHAUSTED! THAT BATTLE FELT LIKE IT LASTED FOREVER!

NOT QUITE FOREVER. THANK GOODNESS.

HEY! WHERE DID YOU GET THAT GUMBALL?

AN OLD FRIEND.

THE END.

SAY GOOD NIGHT, FOREVER KNIGHTS!

KRUNCH

ZAAAP

UNGH!

THAT REMINDS ME. IT'S GETTING LATE, BEN!

SQUELCH

LAST ONE.

GOOP'S GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE! AND FAST!

MOM AND DAD WILL GROUND ME AGAIN IF I'M NOT HOME ON TIME!

THAT'S CUTTING IT PRETTY CLOSE, MISTER.

ONLY ONE MINUTE TO SPARE.

SLAM

DOUBLE TROUBLE

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DO NOT WORRY, PARENTS. YOUR SON WILL NEVER BE LATE FOR ANYTHING EVER AGAIN!

BEN! WHAT DID YOU DO TO YOUR HAIR?!

NOW, HONEY. WE DON'T WANT TO STIFLE OUR TEENAGER FROM EXPRESSING HIS INDIVIDUALITY, DO WE?

THAT IS CORRECT, PARENTS. ANY CHANGES YOU MAY NOTICE IN MY APPEARANCE OR BEHAVIOR CAN BE EASILY ATTRIBUTED TO MY REBELLIOUS TEENAGE SPIRIT.

SEE? I TOLD YOU. IT'S A PERFECTLY NATURAL PHASE. NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT.

SORRY I'M A LITTLE LATE. THERE WERE THESE FOREVER KNIGHTS AND HEY!

BEN?!

THANK GOODNESS HIS HAIR IS OKAY.

IF YOU'RE THERE, WHO'S THIS?!

ALBEDO!

BEN TENNYSON!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

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WHY, WAITING FOR YOU, OF COURSE. SO I CAN DO THIS!

KRAKK

THANK YOU FOR *REBOOTING* MY *DAMAGED OMNITRIX* WITH YOURS!

I THOUGHT *YOU SAID* THERE WAS *ONLY ONE OMNITRIX* IN THE UNIVERSE, BEN.

AHHAHA!

IT'S A *LONG STORY*, MOM.

"*ALBEDO* MADE HIMSELF A *BAD COPY*, ACCIDENTALLY GOT *STUCK* AS *ME*, THEN HIS OLD BOSS, *AZMUTH*, WHO *CREATED* THE *OMNITRIX*, BROKE IT AND SENT HIM TO JAIL."

I GUESS IT WASN'T *THAT LONG* A STORY.

JETRAY!

LOCK THE DOOR! AND *DON'T LET ME IN* THIS TIME UNLESS I'M *REALLY ME!*

KRAK

AT LAST! I AM OUT OF THAT DISGUSTING, SMELLY, SWEATY, HAIRY, HUMAN BODY OF YOURS!

SHRAAAK

AW, COME ON, ALBEDO. IT'S NOT THAT BAD BEING ME.

IT WAS THE WORST POSSIBLE PUNISHMENT AZMUTH COULD HAVE DEVISED!

THE CRAVING FOR CHILI FRIES ALONE WAS DRIVING ME CRAZY!

SO YOU LIKE CHILLY, DO YOU?

BIG CHILL!

WHOOO

NOT THAT KIND OF CHILLY!

BRRR!

YOUR FRAIL *NECROFRIGGIAN* FORM IS NO MATCH FOR MY *BRAIN POWER!*

GIVE UP, *ALBEDO!* WE HAVE ALL THE *SAME ALIENS.* WE'RE *EQUALLY MATCHED.* YOU *CAN'T WIN!*

ZZZTTT

THEN *NEITHER* CAN *YOU!*

GOT TO *THINK FAST!* I *NEED* TO USE...

CHROMASTONE!

SHEEEOO

MY *SUPERIOR INTELLECT* TELLS ME...

...*BIGGER* IS BETTER! *ROAR!*

UH, OH.

YIELD, BEN TENNYSON! YOU HAVE LOST. I KNOW YOU CANNOT TURN INTO ANYTHING LARGER THAN HUMONGOUSAUR!

NO, BUT I CAN TURN INTO SOMETHING SMALLER.

ECHO ECHO!

ECHO!

ECHO!

ECHO!

ECHO!

WOOOO

WOOOO

WOOOO

ROAR!

WOOOO

WOOOO

WOOOO

WOOOO

AH!

OW!

SPLOOSH

WHERE'D ALBEDO GO!?

DON'T LET HIM GET AWAY!

CAN'T...

...REFORM...

...INTO...

SLURRP

...ONE!

THAT IS *PRECISELY* THE IDEA.

AND NOW, *BEN TENNYSON*...

IT IS TIME FOR *ONE* OF US TO BE *GOING*.

GASP!

IT'S A *TELEPORTER* POD!

WHERE ARE *YOU* GOING?

OH, IT IS *NOT I* WHO IS GOING.

WHY DO YOU THINK I *ALLOWED* YOU TO *FOLLOW ME* HERE?

NOW THAT *MY OMNITRIX* IS *FUNCTIONAL*, YOU ARE *NO LONGER* OF ANY *USE* TO ME.

ZCHUUUM

GOOD-BYE, BEN TENNYSON.

VICTORY IS MINE! NOW WITH THE *REAL BEN 10* LOST ON SOME *DISTANT PLANET*, I CAN DO WHATEVER I WANT HERE ON *EARTH* AS HIM! *AH HA HA--*

--HUH?

TENNYSON?!

YOU KNOW, *ALBEDO*, YOU MAY BE PRETTY GOOD AT BEING ALL THE SAME *ALIENS* AS ME, BUT THERE IS *ONE LITTLE THING* YOU REALLY NEED TO LEARN ABOUT THAT *HUMAN FORM.*

HOW TO *TIE YOUR SHOES!*

WHAT?

WHOA!

NOOOO!

THAT'S WHAT THEY *ALL SAY.* HEH.

MOM? DAD? COME ON! LET ME *IN!* IT'S *REALLY ME!*

THAT'S WHAT THEY *ALL SAY!*

The End

THAT A BOY, *SHIP.* ROLL OVER. NOW SIT UP AND BEG.

SHIP! SHIP!

HAVING A LITTLE *ALIEN* FOR A *PET* IS THE BEST!

HEY, *JULIE!*

HI, *BEN.* I'VE BEEN TEACHING SHIP SOME *NEW TRICKS.* WANT TO SEE?

MAYBE LATER. I'VE GOT A *SURPRISE* FOR YOU.

A *PRESENT?* FOR ME? YOU *SHOULDN'T HAVE.* BUT I'M AWFULLY *GLAD YOU DID.* HEH.

IT'S A *FRIENDSHIP NECKLACE.* I *MADE* IT MYSELF.

OH, BEN. HOW *THOUGHTFUL!*

SHIP SHAPE

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IT'S SO *BEAUTIFUL!* I'VE NEVER SEEN A *STONE* LIKE THIS BEFORE.

I FOUND IT ON MY LAST ADVENTURE IN OUTER *SPACE.* A *SPECIAL GEM* FOR A *SPECIAL GIRL.*

SHIP!

MORPHH

SHIP?

KERRR-POW

JULIE! LOOK OUT!

WHAT ARE YOU *DOING*, SHIP?! IT'S US, YOUR *FRIENDS!* *SIT*, BOY! *STAY!*

SOMETHING'S SERIOUSLY *WRONG.* SHIP ALWAYS *OBEYS* JULIE.

NEED TO *TURN INTO* SOMETHING TO *PROTECT* US AGAINST THOSE *ENERGY BLASTS.*

HOW ABOUT...

CHROMASTONE!

GET *BEHIND* ME!

KERRR-POW

SOMEBODY MUST BE *MAKING* SHIP DO THIS! MAYBE THE *FOREVER KNIGHTS* ARE *CONTROLLING* HIM AGAIN?

CAREFUL, BEN! DON'T HURT SHIP!

I REALLY DON'T THINK THAT'S GOING TO BE A PROBLEM HERE.

KRAAAK

SHIP!

KARRUNKH

HE'S TOO POWERFUL. RUN FOR IT, JULIE!

OH, NO! HANG ON, BEN!

OOMF.

SHIP!

I'LL GO FIND GWEN TO HELP!

MORPHHH

?

AH, MAN. WHAT KIND OF WEAPON IS HE TURNING INTO NOW?

HUH?

SHIP SHIP! =Slurp=

WHY DID YOU ATTACK US, BOY?

AND HOW DO I KNOW YOU WON'T DO IT AGAIN?

SHIP!

YEAH, YOU SAID THAT ALREADY. NOT REALLY HELPFUL.

BUT I KNOW JUST WHO TO ASK...

THEN *SHIP* JUST WENT *BALLISTIC* FOR NO REASON! YOU KNOW ABOUT *ALIENS* AND *ALIEN TECH*, KEVIN. WHAT DO YOU THINK?

I THINK YOU SHOULD KEEP THAT *OUT-OF-CONTROL* THING AWAY FROM *MY RIDE*. I JUST GOT ALL THE *DENTS* OUT.

OKAY, LET'S HAVE A LOOK AT YOU. UM... SAY, "*AH?*"

SHIP!

SEEMS *ALL RIGHT* NOW.

JULIE THINKS THE *FOREVER KNIGHTS* MIGHT BE *CONTROLLING SHIP* AGAIN! WE'D BETTER FIND OUT WHAT THEY'RE UP TO AND *STOP* THEM!

WE GOT YOUR *CALL* TO MEET YOU AT KEVIN'S. WHERE'S THE *BATTLE* NOW?

SORRY, *GWEN*. LOOKS LIKE JULIE DRAGGED YOU HERE FOR *NOTHING* AFTER ALL.

SHIP! YOU'RE BACK TO *NORMAL!* HOORAY!

OH, NO! IT'S *HAPPENING AGAIN!*

MORPHHH

SHIP!

EASY, BOY. JUST *RELAX*. EVERYTHING'S GOING TO BE *FINE*.

MY *CAR!*

JULIE! YOU CAN'T *REASON* WITH HIM! GET *OUT* OF THE *WAY!* HE'S GOING TO *FIRE!*

BLAM BLAM BLAM

KRAK KRAK KRAK

EVERYBODY DOWN!

I'VE GOT TO *FIGURE OUT* WHAT'S GOING ON WITH SHIP. AND FAST! I NEED AN ALIEN WITH SOME SERIOUS *BRAIN POWER,* LIKE...

WHOA! *CLOSE* ONE.

BRAINSTORM!

CEASE AND DESIST, I SAY!

KRACKLE

BLAM BLAM BLAM

THAT'S IT! KEEP HIM *BUSY,* BEN!

YOU HIT HIM *HIGH.* WE'LL HIT HIM *LOW.*

UH, UNLESS HE DOES *THAT.*

SHIP!

KER-ZZT-KRAK

NO, SHIP! *STOP* IT! DON'T LISTEN TO THE *FOREVER KNIGHTS'* INSTRUCTIONS!

I THINK SHIP MAY BE *REACTING* TO JULIE'S *VOICE!* HE'S *CHANGING...*

SHIP!

GULP. UH... *DOWN, BOY?*

MAYBE KEEPING A *GALVANIC MECHOMORPH* FOR A *PET* WASN'T SUCH A *GOOD IDEA*, JULIE!

HE'S *NEVER* DONE THIS BEFORE.

EXCEPT THAT *ONE* TIME WHEN HE *DID!*

KA-BOOM

OKAY, OKAY. YOU'RE RIGHT. MAYBE SHIP *IS* TOO *DANGEROUS* TO KEEP ON *EARTH* ANYMORE.

SHE SAID, "*DOWN, BOY!*"

UNGH! THIS *ENERGY LEASH* WON'T HOLD HIM BACK FOR LONG!

EVER CONSIDER INTERGALACTIC *OBEDIENCE SCHOOL?*

THEY HAVE THOSE?

NO.

KLAANG

THE *FOREVER KNIGHTS* MUST HAVE TURNED OFF WHATEVER *DEVICE* THEY'RE USING TO *CONTROL* SHIP.

ON THE CONTRARY, MY *SUPERIOR INTELLECT* HAS ALLOWED ME TO *CONCLUDE* THAT THE FOREVER KNIGHTS IN FACT HAVE *NOTHING* TO DO WITH THIS.

Gasp! WHO THEN? THE *DNALIENS?* THE *HIGHBREED?* SOME *NEW ENEMY?!*

MORPHHH

YOU'RE *OKAY* NOW?

SHIP! SHIP!

IF MY *CALCULATIONS* ARE *CORRECT,* IT IS SHIP'S *PROXIMITY* TO *JULIE* THAT IS CAUSING THESE UNFORTUNATE TRANSFORMATIONS.

SPEAK *ENGLISH,* TENNYSON!

MORPHHH

NOT *AGAIN!*

IF YOU *DIDN'T WANT* TO BE MY *PET* ANYMORE, SHIP, YOU COULD HAVE JUST *SAID* SO.

SHIP!

OKAY, LET ME *REPHRASE* THAT.

AH! WHAT ARE YOU DOING *NOW?*

I *DON'T* WANT TO FIRE AND *HURT* JULIE!

SHIP!

I *DON'T* WANT YOU TO FIRE AND HURT *MY CAR! OR JULIE,* OF COURSE.

HM, VERY INTERESTING, INDEED.

AH HA! MY HYPOTHESIS WAS CORRECT! IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN, AND I NEVER AM, THAT GEMSTONE IN JULIE'S NECKLACE IS A PIECE OF DIAMONDHEAD'S HOME PLANET, WHICH VILGAX DEMOLISHED!

OOF! WHAT KIND OF BRAINIAC WOULD PUT A PIECE OF PETROPIA NEAR A GALVANIC MECHOMORPH LIKE SHIP? IT MAKES THEM TOTALLY UNSTABLE!

ER, MY BAD.

GOT YOU, KEVIN!

I KNOW THE PERFECT ALIEN TO WRESTLE WITH THIS PROBLEM NOW--

--HUMONGOUSAUR!

QUICK, JULIE, THAT NECKLACE I GAVE YOU! I NEED IT BACK!

CATCH!

BACK INTO OUTER SPACE YOU GO.

AW. I REALLY LIKED THAT NECKLACE YOU MADE FOR ME, BEN.

I'M SO GLAD YOU'RE OKAY!

SHIP! SHIP!

MORPHH

SORRY ABOUT YOUR PRESENT, JULIE.

MAYBE NEXT TIME, STICK TO FLOWERS?

JUST BE SURE THEY'RE FROM THIS PLANET!

THE END

SNNN-PFFTTT

BUZZZZZZ

6:00

I'M UP, I'M UP. I'M--WAIT A MINUTE!

LAZY DAY

6:02

IT'S SATURDAY!

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SATURDAYS ARE MY FAVORITE DAY. YOU CAN SLEEP IN.

11:04

YOU CAN WEAR WHATEVER YOU WANT.

YOU CAN EAT BREAK-FAST FOR LUNCH. IT'S THE PERFECT *LAZY DAY.*

DON'T FORGET YOUR CHORES!

BUT IT'S MY LAZY DAY!

BEN, YOU KNOW WE DON'T CONDONE LAZINESS.

WELL, I SUPPOSE YOUR CHORES CAN WAIT.

ENJOY YOUR "LAZY DAY"!

SWEET! CRNNNNCH, CRNNCH.

RINNGGG

MMMHLLO?

WHERE ARE YOU?!!

YOU'RE LATE!

FOR WHAT?

HONNNKK

YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO MEET US AT MY HOUSE. HALF AN HOUR AGO! THE DNALIENS ARE UP TO SOMETHING, THERE'S BEEN SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY OUTSIDE OF TOWN, AND WE WERE GOING TO--

OKAY, I'LL BE RIGHT OVER.

OH, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. WE'LL COME PICK YOU UP.

WHERE ARE WE HEADED?
TO THE WIND FARM OUTSIDE OF TOWN.
HOW DO YOU FARM WIND? YOU MUST NEED A REALLY BIG TRACTOR!
MAYBE HE'S PULLING YOU OVER FOR DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF A LAME SENSE OF HUMOR.
WOOO WOOO WOOO
CRUD.
IS THERE A PROBLEM, OFFICER?
DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA HOW FAST YOU WERE DRIVING?!
THE SPEED LIMIT?
YOU WERE GOING TWENTY MILES PER HOUR UNDER THE SPEED LIMIT!
HUH?
NO SENSE RUSHING ANYWHERE TODAY. I'LL LET YOU GO WITH A WARNING.
THANKS!

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU ALMOST GOT A TICKET FOR BEING TOO SLOW.

THAT DOESN'T LEAVE THIS CAR. I'M NEVER SLOW.

EVERYONE'S ACTING A LITTLE WEIRD TODAY.

I BET THEY'VE GOT SOMETHING TO DO WITH IT.

GAS.

NOT ME!

NO, THERE! THAT MUST BE WHAT'S MAKING EVERYONE SO APATHETIC!

KEEP IT FLOWING! THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO STOP US!

MAYBE I SHOULDN'T BOTHER...

THE OMNITRIX, YOU HAVE TO...

NEED SOMEONE WHO'S ALWAYS CHILLIN'...

BIG CHILL!

TODAY'S FORECAST, A SUDDEN COLD FRONT IN FROM THE NORTH.

WHOOOSH

NO ONE CARED ABOUT WHAT WE WERE DOING BEFORE YOU CAME, AND NO ONE WILL CARE ONCE YOU'RE DEFEATED.

YOU'RE WRONG. WE CARE!

ZZAPPP

THEY'RE RUNNING OUT OF GAS!

THIS'LL HELP SPEED THINGS ALONG.

RIPPP

WHOOOSH

SEE HOW YOU LIKE IT!

YOU ALL NEED TO *CHILL* OUT!

THERE'S STILL A FEW HOURS LEFT TO DO NOTHING.

YOU DIDN'T FORGET THIS, DID YOU?

BEN'S CHORES
- [ ] CLEAN ROOM
- [ ] TAKE OUT TRASH
- [ ] DISHES
- [ ] VACUUM
- [ ] CLEAN GARAGE
- [ ] LAUNDRY

BUT IT'S MY LAZY DAY!

YOU HAD ALL DAY TO BE LAZY. NOW GET TO WORK.

THIS IS THE WORST LAZY DAY EVER.

THE END

SODA JERK

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ICE CREAM CASTLE

I'M BEAT.

ME TOO.

THAT'S WHY I THOUGHT A LITTLE *TREAT* MIGHT TAKE THE EDGE OFF.

I WANT A WHOLE *TRUCK* FULL OF *ICE CREAM!*

I THOUGHT YOU WOULD HAVE HAD *ENOUGH* WITH THE *COLD* AFTER FIGHTING AS *BIG CHILL* ALL NIGHT!

THAT WAS AN *AWESOME* FIGHT! WE REALLY CREAMED THOSE *HIGHBREED!*

HEY KEV! *SHHH...*

WHAT CAN I GET YOU *KIDS?*

THREE CHOCOLATE MILKSHAKES, PLEASE!

HOW DID YOU KNOW WHAT I WANTED?!

MMMM... MAGIC!

HA! AND THE FACT THAT IT'S WHAT WE *ALWAYS* ORDER!

I GUESS I AM *PREDICTABLE* IN SOME WAYS. *HEH!*

SWEET! HEY!
HA! YOU SNOOZE, YOU LOSE!
WHOOPS!
BEN!
NOT COOL! BUT WHAT WOULD I EXPECT FROM A...
...CHILD?! MMPPHH!!!
KEVIN! WHAT'S HAPPENING?!
SOME SORT OF ALIEN ICE CREAM?!
IT'S THE SHAKE GUY! DUCK!
SPLOOOORCH
GWEN, HELP KEVIN! I'M GOING TO TAKE CARE OF THAT SODA JERK!
I'M ON IT!

I KNOW JUST HOW TO TAKE CARE OF ALIEN TECH!

ECHO ECHO!

SPLUSH

YAAAHHH!!!!

YAAAHHH!!!!

YAAAHHH!!!!

HE'S A...

...FOREVER KNIGHT!

I *USED* TO BE, BUT WAS *KICKED OUT!*

ONCE I GET THAT *OMNITRIX* I'M SURE THEY'LL *WELCOME* ME BACK!

WE'LL

SEE

ABOUT

THAT!

YOU *OKAY?*

UGH! YEAH! THAT *FOREVER CREEP* JUST PUT ME OFF CHOCOLATE SHAKES *FOREVER!*

BEN! LOOK OUT!
UGH!
GWEN!
IT'S TIME FOR...
...RE-ENFORCEMENTS!
I'VE GOT YOUR *BACK*... ALL OF YOUR *BACKS!*
LET'S SEE IF THE *KNIGHT* WILL OBEY HIS *KING!*
GOTCHA!
FOREVER KNIGHT!
TIMBER!
TH-TH-THE *FOREVER KING?!* BUT I THOUGHT YOU *DISAPPEARED!*
HOW DARE YOU QUESTION *ME?!*
YOU WERE DEEMED *UNWORTHY* OF THE TITLE *FOREVER KNIGHT* AND NOW I SEE THAT YOU MISUSE OUR *TECH?! SHAME!*
I-I-I'M SORRY. IT WILL *NEVER* HAPPEN AGAIN!
OUR *KING* TOOK HIS KNIGHT *OUT!*
IN WHICH CASE I DON'T THINK WE'LL BE PAYING THAT *CHECK, MATE.*
OH MAN! THAT WAS A CHESS-Y JOKE! *HA HA HA!!*
DEAL
THE END

WHAT *IS* IT?

I DON'T KNOW... SOME KIND OF *DNALIEN TECH,* I GUESS?

WELL, SINCE *HE* SEEMED TO BE *RUNNING TOWARDS IT ...*

THE PAST IS THE KEY TO THE FUTURE

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...I KNOW HOW WE CAN *FIND OUT.*

TELL US WHAT THIS IS, YOU SLIME!

DNALIEN GENETIC CODE RECOGNIZED-- BEGINNING COUNTDOWN SEQUENCE. 60...

THAT'S NOT GOOD...

BRILLIANT! YOU ACTIVATED THE THING AND KNOCKED THE ONLY ONE WITH THE ANSWERS UNCONSCIOUS!

I DIDN'T SEE YOU STEPPING UP WITH A MASTER PLAN!

59... 58... 57...

EASY, BOYS. THE RISING TESTOSTERONE LEVELS CAN'T BE HELPING--AND, BESIDES, I'VE GOT AN IDEA...

LET ME SEE IF I CAN TRANSLATE THESE--OH-BOY...WELL, IT'S A BOMB.

OH, WONDERFUL... NICE OF THEM TO MAKE IT COUNT DOWN IN ENGLISH...

IT WAS PLANTED HERE MANY YEARS AGO BY THE HIGHBREED WHEN THEY FIRST DEVISED THEIR PLAN TO "CLEANSE" THE EARTH OF ITS "FILTHY RACES". OH, NICE...

IT'S SORT OF A DOOMSDAY/FINAL-SOLUTION DEVICE MEANT TO DESTROY THE PLANET IF THINGS DON'T GO THEIR WAY.

AND THE ONLY WAY TO DISARM IT...IS WITH A *KEY-DEVICE.*

A *KEY*, HUH? WELL, *THIS GUY* DOESN'T LOOK LIKE HE'S GOT ANY *POCKETS*, SO...

31... 30... 29...

WAIT... THERE'S SOMETHING *FAMILIAR* ABOUT THIS SHAPE...

26

YEAH, IT'S *SQUARE.* JUST LIKE *YOU.*

NO, *I GOT IT!*

IT'S THE SAME SHAPE AS THIS *WEIRD METAL THING* I FOUND NEAR HERE DURING THAT SUMMER GWEN AND I WERE TRAVELING WITH *GRANDPA MAX!*

I DIDN'T KNOW *WHAT* IT WAS, THOUGH. I KEPT IT AS A *KEEPSAKE* FOR AWHILE--

--BUT I *DON'T REMEMBER* WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO IT...

IF THERE WAS ONLY *SOME WAY* WE COULD GET IT!

WELLLL... I *MAY* HAVE SOMETHING THAT COULD HELP...

OKAY, HERE'S THE DEAL. IT'S *HIGHLY ILLEGAL,* SO I'VE NEVER MENTIONED IT BEFORE.

I *KNOW* HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT MY... *COLORFUL PAST.*

IT'S A PIECE OF *"LEVEL 10" TECH* THAT SHOULDN'T EVEN BE IN THIS *ARM OF THE GALAXY,* LET ALONE *EARTH.*

IT'S A *"TEMPORAL BOOMERANG"* THAT'LL ALLOW US TO TAKE ONE FIVE-MINUTE ROUND TRIP... *BACK IN TIME.*

PERFECT! WE CAN JUST GO BACK A COUPLE MINUTES AND STOP OURSELVES FROM ARMING THE THING!

DO I HAVE TO EXPLAIN *TIME PARADOXES* TO YOU? WE NEED TO GO BACK TO WHEN YOU KNOW WHO HAD THE KEY AND GET IT.

LOOK, JUST *PICK A TIME*--THINK OF *WHEN* YOU WANT TO GO--

--AND I PRESS THIS BUTTON, AND WE'RE GONE...*

6...
5...
4...

5 YEARS AGO.

THREE... TWO... *ONE!* OKAY, *THAT'S IT, BEN TENNYSON!*

IF YOU DON'T GIVE ME BACK MY *BOOK OF SPELLS,* I'LL CAST A *TRANSFERENCE SPELL* BETWEEN YOU AND A *BANANA SLUG--*

--AND I'LL FEEL *SORRY FOR THE SLUG!*

"OH, MY SPELL BOOK, BLAH-BLAH-BLAH"--IT'S NOT EVEN *YOURS.* IT WAS *CHARMCASTER'S!*

AND I *ALREADY* FEEL SORRY FOR THE SLUG. IT'S PROBABLY WHAT GRANDPA'S COOKING UP *FOR DINNER!*

AND IF YOU HAD ANY *REAL* SKILLS, YOU'D TRANSFER YOUR PERSONALITY TO SOMETHING *A LOT LESS NAGGING!*

GEEZ, TENNYSON--WERE YOU *ANNOYING.*

ME?! WHAT ABOUT *HER?*

NAH, SHE'S *CUTE.*

AHEM--MAYBE WE SHOULD GET BACK TO THE *TASK AT HAND?*

OKAY, LET'S SEE... AROUND THIS TIME, I THINK I STILL HAD THAT *KEY THING* IN THE BOX WITH MY SUMO SLAMMER CARDS.

I CAN JUST *SNEAK* INTO THE *RUST BUCKET* AND GET IT!

AND SINCE I DON'T *REMEMBER* HAVING EVER *MET* MY *15-YEAR-OLD SELF* FROM THE FUTURE--

--I BETTER DISGUISE MYSELF JUST TO BE SAFE. *BIG CHILL!*

NOW YOU'RE GETTING THE IDEA. BUT WE *STILL* NEED TO MAKE SURE WE DON'T RUN INTO *OUR* YOUNGER SELVES.

NO SWEAT.

YEAH, RIGHT...

I WAS *CUTE*, HUH...?

HEH. WELL...

I'LL SHOW YOU SKILLS. MAYBE THERE'S SOMETHING IN HERE TO MAKE YOU SMELL BETTER...

THERE SHE GOES, WITH HER UGLY FACE BACK IN A BOOK. ANY WAY I CAN CONVINCE YOU TO KEEP IT THERE?

GOOD ONE, BEN...

NOW *WHERE* DID I KEEP MY SUMO SLAMMER CARDS...?

IT'S HERE!

HEY! DROP THE SUMO SLAMMER CARDS, PAL!

IT'S HERO TIME!

KROOOOM

THAT REALLY *BURNS ME UP!* DO YOU KNOW *HOW LONG* IT TOOK ME TO BUILD THAT COLLECTION?

I ALWAYS *DID* HAVE A TEMPER.

TIME TO COOL OFF!

SHOOSH

BEN...?

WEIRD... I ACTUALLY *REMEMBER* HAVING THIS FIGHT WITH SOME *CREEPY BLUE ALIEN* THAT I THOUGHT WAS AFTER MY *CARD COLLECTION!*

I ALWAYS *THOUGHT* MY BIG CHILL FORM SEEMED *VAGUELY FAMILIAR*--NOW I KNOW *WHY!*

WHERE'D THAT CREEPY GUY GO?

WHO? *YOU'RE* THE ONLY CREEPY GUY I SEE...

GOT IT!

WELL, *GOOD*-- SINCE OUR *FIVE MINUTES* ARE UP!

BIP BIP BIP

LET'S *BLOW* THIS TIME PERIOD...

BEN, HURRY!

I HOPE THIS--

4... 3... 2...

--WORKS!

1...DEVICE DISARMED.

TOO CLOSE, MAN!

WHEW! WELL, *THAT* WAS AN EXPERIENCE!

AND DEFINITELY *WEIRD* SEEING OURSELVES BACK THEN.

WE SURE HAVE DONE A LOT OF *GROWING UP,* BEN.

YOU, GWEN? DEFINITELY. *BEN...?* THE JURY'S STILL *OUT.*

THANKS...

THE END

HEY, TENNYSON! CHECK IT OUT! BET YOU WISH THE OMNITRIX COULD DO THIS!

BACKCOUNTRY BATTLEGROUND

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I'M TELLIN' YA, ALIEN TECH IS THE WAY TO GO! MY BOARD SENSES WHERE I WANT IT TO GO. ALL I'VE GOT TO DO IS THINK!

WHA-WHOA!

DID YOU THINK ABOUT SLAMMING INTO THAT ROCK?

I'LL KEEP MY REGULAR OLD BOARD, THANKS.

HEY GUYS, YOU BETTER SEE THIS.

WHAT IS IT?

I DON'T KNOW, BUT IT'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE HERE. THE BACKCOUNTRY IS SUPPOSED TO BE PROTECTED LAND. NO BUILDINGS.

WE BETTER CHECK IT OUT.

IT'S PROBABLY JUST A RANGER STATION. NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT.

THAT'S NO RANGER STATION.

DNALIENS? NOT GOOD.

IT IS OPERATIONAL.

EXCELLENT. SEND THE FIRST BEACON.

WHIRM WHIRM WHIRM

ANOTHER WEATHER MACHINE?

I DON'T THINK SO. HE SAID "SEND THE BEACON." IT'S GOT TO BE A COMMUNICATIONS TOWER.

IF IT'S SENDING A BEACON THEN MORE DNALIENS WILL BE HERE SOON.

WE'VE GOT TO SHUT IT DOWN.

IT'S HERO TIME!

BEN TENNYSON!

THAT'S ME. LET ME INTRODUCE YOU TO MY FRIEND...

HUMONGOUSAUR!

TURN OFF THE BEACON!

IT'S TOO LATE.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN IT'S TOO LATE?

ONCE THE BEACON HAS BEEN ACTIVATED, IT CANNOT BE TURNED OFF!

THEN I GUESS WE'LL JUST HAVE TO DESTROY IT.

BEN! WE'VE GOT TO GET INSIDE THE COMPLEX!

YEAH! LET'S SMASH IT UP INSIDE OUT!

LEAVE THAT TO ME!

SMASH

THIS PLACE IS AMAZING. I'VE NEVER SEEN TECH LIKE THIS BEFORE!

AND THAT FORCE FIELD MEANS WE CAN'T JUST SMASH IT UP.

INTRUDERS!

I'M GOING TO NEED MORE THAN BRAWN TO HANDLE THIS!

YES! A QUAGMIRE SUCH AS THIS REQUIRES A MUCH MORE PRAGMATIC APPROACH.

I CANNOT TERMINATE THE SIGNALING BEACON, BUT PERHAPS I CAN REROUTE...

THE SIGNALING BEACON IS TOO STRONG.

PERHAPS, MY GOOD CHAP, BUT NOT EVEN THE LARGEST SOUND WAVE CAN COMPLETELY WITHSTAND... INTERFERENCE.

ECHO!

ECHO!

ECHO!

ECHO!

WOOOO

WOOO

WOOOOOO

WOOO

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

UNKNOWN!

GUYS.

RUN.

BOOOM!

WHAT DID YOU DO, TENNYSON?

BRAINSTORM FIGURED OUT THAT THE ENERGY FIELD WAS CARRYING THE SIGNAL WAVES INTO SPACE. USING ECHO ECHO, I CONFUSED IT.

THE ENERGY THOUGHT THE SIGNAL WAVES WERE TRAVELING DOWN INSTEAD OF UP. SO IT DOUBLED BACK ON ITSELF.

AND THE ENERGY DESTROYED THE TOWER. BUT WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BUILDING?

THE BEAM PICKED UP THE DNALIENS AND EVERYTHING, AND CARRIED THEM ALL UNDERGROUND, THINKING THEY WERE THE SIGNAL.

I GOTTA ADMIT, THAT'S PRETTY SWEET.

I'M READY TO GET OFF THIS MOUNTAIN.

ME TOO. YOU THINK YOU CAN AVOID THE ROCKS THIS TIME, KEVIN?

VERY FUNNY.

THE END

TELL ME THE ANSWER.
NEVER!
TELL ME!!
NO! I--I CAN'T!
PRETTY PLEASE?
OH, ALL RIGHT...

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OKAY, SO IF I HAVE A TRUCK THAT'S GOING 88 MILES PER HOUR, AND I'M TWELVE MILES FROM THE TRUCK STOP, AND THE TRUCK LEFT THE REFUELING STATION FIFTEEN MINUTES AGO, IT'LL TAKE...
UGH, I'M *NEVER* GOING TO GET THIS MATH PROBLEM RIGHT!
IT'S OKAY. YOU'RE TRYING REALLY HARD.
Algebra Made Easy
ALGEBRA
ALGEBRA
MATHEMATICS

YEAH, BUT I DON'T WANT TO BE YOUR CHARITY CASE.

YOU'RE NOT MY "CHARITY CASE." BESIDES, WITH YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE, YOU NEED HELP IF YOU'RE GOING TO ACE YOUR EXAMS *AND* SAVE THE UNIVERSE. YOU CAN'T DO IT ALL *ALONE!*

HMM... MAYBE I *CAN...*

THE NEXT DAY...

OKAY, BEN, THIS *NEURAL NET CHAMBER* SHOULD SOLVE ALL YOUR PROBLEMS. YOU'LL TURN INTO BRAINSTORM. THEN ONCE YOU'VE ENTERED THE CHAMBER, YOU'LL TURN BACK INTO BEN. THEN I'LL HIT THE SWITCH, MAKING SURE THAT YOU'VE *RETAINED BRAINSTORM'S INTELLECT!*

WOW! I CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH. AND YOU RIGGED THIS DEVICE TOGETHER JUST NOW?

ENH. DON'T MENTION IT. I HAD AN AFTERNOON TO KILL.

BRAINSTORM!

ARE WE CURRENTLY ON SCHEDULE, COOPER?

YUP! NOW, I WANT YOU TO TRANSFORM BACK INTO BEN.

SPLENDID! YOUR WISH IS MY COMMAND.

WELL, BEN? HOW ARE YOU FEELING?

MY DEAR COOPER, WHY SHOULD I FEEL ANY DIFFERENTLY? I MEAN, MY TEMPERATURE IS EVEN, MY PULSE IS NOT EXACTLY SOARING--

MY WORD! I DARESAY MY ELOCUTION HAS JUMPED A FEW NOTCHES ON THE EVOLUTIONARY SCALE, EH?

YOU'RE WELCOME.

I HAVE A COMMENT.

AND SO...

I HAVE A QUESTION.

GREAT WORK, BEN!

MUCH OBLIGED, I'M SURE.

UH... *THANKS,* I THINK.

TOOLS NEEDED:

INTERACTIVE NOTEBOOK

SUPPLY

TODAY'S AGENDA

Warm-up

Lesson

Quiz

Concept Attainment

Cooperative Activity

LEARNING TARGET

1. I will be able to identify the hypotenuse of a right triangle.
2. I will be able to apply the Pythagorean Theorem.

WOW, I'M REALLY IMPRESSED, BEN! YOU ACED IT *AGAIN,* HUH?

IT'S NOTHING. SUCCESS SEEMS TO... FLOW NATURALLY FROM ME THESE DAYS.

WELL, TO BE HONEST, *THAT'S* WHAT I'M WORRIED ABOUT...

I DON'T KNOW... EVER SINCE YOU'VE ABSORBED BRAINSTORM'S INTELLECT, YOU'VE BECOME MORE...

COLD.

THAT'S RIGHT, BEN. YOU'VE BECOME COLD.

LIKE YOU'RE SOMEHOW BETTER THAN US NOW.

WELL, REALLY, CAN THAT BE HELPED?

I AM THE FOREVERBOT, THE FOREVER KNIGHTS' *NEWEST* WEAPON.

ENEMIES OF THE FOREVER KNIGHTS, PREPARE TO MEET THY DOOM!

PLEASE DON'T TAKE THIS THE WRONG WAY, BUT I NOW POSSESS A MENTAL CAPACITY THAT IS, DARE I SAY, ***SUPERHUMAN.*** MEANWHILE, YOU'RE ALL SIMPLY...***HUMAN.***

SO YOU SEE, I ACTUALLY ***AM*** BETTER THAN YOU.

HEY! NOW LOOK HERE, BEN--

WELL, ***THAT*** CAN'T BE GOOD.

OH, YOU ***GOTTA*** BE KIDDIN' ME.

WELL, I *AM* IN THE MOOD TO KICK A LITTLE BUTT TODAY. BRING IT, RUSTY!

YOU SAID IT.

WAIT! AS HUMONGOUSAUR, *I* SHALL DISPATCH THIS FILTHY BLACKGUARD WITH A ROUND OF FISTICUFFS THE LIKES OF WHICH THIS WORLD HAS NEVER SEEN!

OH, GREAT. HE EVEN SOUNDS LIKE BRAINSTORM WHEN HE'S *OTHER* ALIENS!

JUST LET ME ROUGH HIM UP FIRST, THEN HE'S ALL YOURS, BEN.

NO, I DON'T THINK SO. I SHALL VANQUISH THIS FOE ALL ALONE. YOUR AID IS NOT NEEDED. NOR IS YOURS, DEAR COUSIN GWEN.

OH, THAT'S *IT!*

HEY, WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

YOU'LL SEE!

BUT THAT'S *COOPER'S HOUSE!*

BINGO!

KEVIN? WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

I APOLOGIZE IN ADVANCE, DUDE.

APOLOGIZE? FOR WHAT?

CRUNCH

FOR THAT.

MY NEURAL NET CHAMBER! IT'S RUINED!

UH- OH, THAT ROBOT'S GONNA...

...FALL.

KEVIN, YOU OWE ME FOR THIS.

HEY, I *SAID* I WAS SORRY.

WAIT, WHERE'S BEN?

WHAT HAPPENED? WHERE AM I?

MY HEAD HURTS.

QUICK, BEN. WHAT'S THE SQUARE ROOT OF PI?

UGH. DON'T MENTION PIE TO ME. I'M NOT GONNA EAT *ANYTIME* SOON. TOO NAUSEOUS.

YEAH, HE'S BACK TO NORMAL.

END

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AND THAT TAKES CARE OF THE LAST OF THE GUARDS.

ARE YOU SURE THIS IS THE RIGHT PLACE, MAX?

VALIDUS, WE'RE ON AN ISOLATED MOON THAT NO ONE EVER COMES TO...

...THAT IS, UNLESS THEY'RE TRYING TO MAKE ILLEGAL ALIEN TECH DEALS.

NOTHING. I SHOULDN'T HAVE BROUGHT YOU HERE, VALIDUS. THIS IS BIGGER THAN I THOUGHT, AND YOU'RE NOT A FULL-FLEDGED PLUMBER YET.

THAT'S A TOUGH-LOOKING BUNCH, MAX. WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO?

WHAT? ARE YOU KIDDING? YOU KNOW I'M READY, TENNYSON! I'M ALREADY OUT HERE!

VICTOR, I KNOW HOW GOOD YOU ARE IN TRAINING, BUT YOU'VE NEVER BEEN IN A LIVE BATTLE BEFORE!

YOU KNOW I'M READY TO BE A PLUMBER NOW, MAX!

VICTOR! CALM DOWN!

OH, NO.

BLAAM

STAY BACK! I'VE GOT THIS COVERED!

COME ON, TENNYSON! I'VE GOT TO DO *SOMETHING*!

KEEP OUT OF THIS, VICTOR!

OOF!

THANK YOU FOR COMING HERE LIKE THIS, PLUMBER. YOUR TECH IS VERY VALUABLE TO SOMEONE IN MY INDUSTRY.

I CAN DOUBLE MY PROFIT ON THIS SALE WITH GENUINE PLUMBER EQUIPMENT. SO, FIRST I WILL END YOU...

...AND THEN I WILL TAKE MY TIME EATING YOUR LITTLE STUDENT.

BUDDY, THE ONLY THING YOU'RE GETTING FROM ME IS A MOUTHFUL OF KNUCKLE.

ALL RIGHT! WHICH OF YOU IS NEXT?

IT IS OVER, PLUMBER. NOTHING CAN HELP YOU.

MY SHIP!

YOU BLEW UP HIS SHIP?

I THOUGHT WE COULD USE ANOTHER DISTRACTION.

GOOD THOUGHT.

HE'S GETTING AWAY, VALIDUS! GET A CONTAINMENT LOOP ON HIM!

WHERE IS HE GOING TO GO? HIS SHIP IS HISTORY.

I'M TAKING YOU IN, UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE PLUMBERS.

I KEEP TELLING YOU, YOU'RE NOT A PLUMBER YET.

I TOLD YOU TO STAY BACK, VALIDUS. YOU DISOBEYED MY DIRECT ORDERS.

YES, SIR. I'M... SORRY.

BUT IN DISOBEYING ORDERS, YOU SAVED MY LIFE. YOU SHOWED SOME REAL SMARTS OUT THERE TODAY, KID.

REALLY?

VICTOR VALIDUS, YOU'RE THE BEST STUDENT I'VE EVER TAUGHT. AND I AM HAPPY TO RECOMMEND YOU FOR FULL PLUMBER STATUS.

THANKS, MAX!

OF COURSE, WHO KNOWS WHAT EVIDENCE YOU DESTROYED WHEN YOU BLEW UP THEIR SHIP...

CAN WE JUST GO BACK TO TALKING ABOUT HOW GOOD I AM?

END

PLUMBERS' KIDS

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ELENA, THOSE WERE SOME AMAZING MOVES BACK THERE... YOU KNOW, FOR A GIRL!

THANKS, I GUESS. I DON'T GET TO PLAY WITH OTHER KIDS A LOT BECAUSE ME AND DAD MOVE AROUND SO MUCH...

...BUT I CAN STILL KICK YOUR BUTT!

WHICH REMINDS ME, YOU OWE ME FOR TEACHING YOU MY "SWIFT KICK!" CARE TO TREAT A GIRL TO A SNOW CONE?

UH... SURE THING.

ICE CREA

ONE CHERRY AND ONE BANANA MELON WITH EXTRA SOUR APPLE, PLEASE!

EWW, BEN! GROSS!

BOY, ARE YOU BEN TENNYSON?

WHO WANTS TO KNOW?

YOU MAY CALL ME SCORN, HUMAN, BUT IT MATTERS NOT, AS THESE MOMENTS WILL BE YOUR LAST!

BEN, TURN INTO FOUR-ARMS! FAST!

WHAT? BUT HOW DID YOU...

NO TIME! JUST DO IT!

YOU'RE RIGHT...

... IT'S HERO TIME!

WHOAH.

YOU WANNA TELL ME WHAT THIS IS ABOUT BEFORE OR AFTER I TAKE YOU DOWN?

YOU ARE BUT AN OBSTACLE TO OVERCOME BEFORE I GET MY REVENGE ON MAX TENNYSON FOR TRAPPING US IN THE NULL VOID ALL THOSE YEARS AGO!

SO, IN SHORT... SECOND-RATE LOSER BAD GUY. SHOULD HAVE KNOWN.

YOUR COCKY ATTITUDE IS AS LEGENDARY AS YOUR SKILLS...

ICE CREAM

...THOUGH IT APPEARS AT LEAST ONE OF THOSE ATTRIBUTES WAS GREATLY EXAGGERATED!

AAAAW!

SO FAST... MAYBE I SHOULD HAVE USED *XLR8R* INSTEAD...

I WILL CRUSH YOU!

BEN, THINK FAST!

AAARGH!

THAT "SWIFT KICK" MOVE SURE COMES IN HANDY!

AND TO THINK YOU DIDN'T NEED ANY OF YOUR FOUR ARMS.

HAD ENOUGH OR ARE YOU GONNA BE A "SCORN LOSER"?

IT WILL TAKE MORE THAN A CHILD'S TOY TO DEFEAT ME, BEN TENNYSON!

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BEAUTY SUPPLY

HUH?

BEN, LOOK OUT!

ELENA, ARE YOU... WHOAH!

FREEZE!

I DON'T NEED SUPER POWERS TO PUT YOU ON ICE!

WHERE DID SHE LEARN ALL THOSE MOVES?!

ONCE I DESTROY YOU, I WILL USE YOUR LITTLE GIRLFRIEND TO LEAD ME TO MAX TENNYSON!

WHOAH, BUDDY, SHE IS *NOT* MY GIRL-FRIEND!

GET OFF ME, VILE PUNY FEMALE! WE WILL HAVE OUR REVENGE!

ANY LAST WORDS?

BEN, THE FIRE HYDRANT!

YEAH...

CHILL OUT!

REALLY, BEN? "CHILL OUT"?

YOU CAN'T GO WRONG WITH THE CLASSICS!

WONDER WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH THESE GUYS?

WHEN SCORN SAID MAX TRAPPED "US" IN THE NULL VOID, I KNEW SOMETHING WAS UP. THEY MUST HAVE MET IN THE NULL VOID AND WERE WORKING TOGETHER TO GET BACK AT YOUR GRANDPA. HE MUST HAVE AN ARMY OF BAD GUYS WANTING TO GET REVENGE!

BUT WAIT, HOW DO YOU KNOW ABOUT MY GRANDPA MAX? AND FOUR-ARMS? AND THE NULL VOID?

MY DAD DOESN'T TELL ME MUCH, BUT I'VE HEARD STORIES OF THE INFAMOUS BEN 10! I KNEW AS SOON AS I SAW THE OMNITRIX!

YOUR DAD?

YEAH, THE GREATEST PLUMBER ALIVE, *VICTOR VALIDUS*!

TRAINED BY YOUR GRANDPA MAX? SAVED THE WORLD ONE OR TWO OR THREE DOZEN TIMES?

UGH!

COME ON, BEN, THIS ONE'S ON ME AFTER ALL...

...SOUNDS LIKE WE HAVE A LOT TO CATCH UP ON...

END

IT'S A SET UP

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DID YOU REALLY THINK IT WOULD BE THAT EASY TO SNEAK UP ON ME, ARGIT?

I WASN'T TRYING TO SNEAK UP ON YOU, KEVIN. I SWEAR IT! I JUST WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW ABOUT AN ALIEN TECH SALE I HEARD ABOUT!

WHAT ARE THEY SELLING?

I'M NOT REALLY SURE. I DON'T THINK THEY EVEN KNOW WHAT IT IS!

UNKNOWN ALIEN TECH? JUST BEING SOLD TO WHOEVER?

YEAH, I KNOW!

TELL THEM I'LL BE THERE IN AN HOUR.

I THINK THIS IS SOMETHING I BETTER CHECK OUT IN PERSON.

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COLLECTIBLE HEROES

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SUMO SLAMMERS

HMM... I CAN OFFER YOU...

...FIVE BUCKS.

COMIC KON

FIVE BUCKS? FOR A COMPLETE SET OF SUMO SLAMMER ACTION FIGURES? IN MINT CONDITION?

OKAY, FIVE BUCKS... AND FIFTY CENTS.

FINE. WHATEVER...

PLEASURE DOING BUSINESS, BEN!

WHOOMP

OOF. SORRY, DUDE.

HEY, GREAT COSTUME! MUST'VE TAKEN YOU FOREVER!

VROOOOMMMM

COMIC KON

TARGET ACQUIRED.

HEY! LET GO...

VROOOMMMM

...OF ME!

WHOA! WHERE AM I?

YOU'RE ON MY SHIP!

WHO--?

GREETINGS, BEN TENNYSON. I AM THE COLLECTOR.

UH, HI. WHAT DO YOU COLLECT?

FUNNY YOU SHOULD ASK. SOME COLLECT RARE WORKS OF ART.

OTHERS COLLECT *VINTAGE ADVENTURE DOLLS.*

YOU MEAN ACTION FIGURES.

YES! *ACTION FIGURES.* WELL, I COLLECT *REAL-LIFE* "ACTION FIGURES."

I COLLECT *HEROES.*

COME AGAIN?

TAP

AND MY MOST RECENT ACQUISITION...

...IS *YOU!*

WHAT--?

YOU REALLY PICKED THE WRONG GUY TO MESS WITH, COLLECTOR. WHEN I BREAK OUT OF HERE--

BUT THAT'S THE BEAUTY OF IT, BEN. YOU ***WON'T*** BREAK OUT OF HERE!

OH, YEAH? TELL THAT TO...

WHAM

...HUMONGOUSAUR!

IS THAT ALL YOU GOT?

OH, I'M SO GLAD YOU ASKED! BECAUSE...

...I'VE BUILT A TRAP ROOM JUST FOR *YOU*, HUMONGOUSAUR!

HUMONGOUSAUR-TRAP-ROOM-ACTIVATED!

WHAM!

OWW! WHAT IN THE WORLD--?

I TRIED TO WARN YOU. *THIS* TRAP ROOM IS BUILT WITH THICK WALLS MADE OF AN ***IMPENETRABLE ALIEN MATERIAL*** THAT EVEN HUMONGOUSAUR CAN'T PUNCH THROUGH.

SEE, BEN...

BLAM

...EVERY TIME YOU TURN INTO A DIFFERENT ALIEN...

...***ANOTHER*** TRAP ROOM--DESIGNED SPECIFICALLY ***FOR THAT ALIEN***--IS WAITING FOR YOU.

BRAINSTORM-TRAP-ROOM-ACTIVATED.

HMM... IT APPEARS THAT I CANNOT USE MY ELECTRICAL BOLTS TO ESCAPE FROM THIS CUSTOMIZED PRISON!

NO USE STRUGGLING, BEN! THIS TRAP ROOM HAS *RUBBER WALLS* DESIGNED TO BLOCK BRAINSTORM'S ELECTRICAL JOLTS!

BOUNCE

I CANNOT PREVAIL. IN THIS SITUATION, THE COLLECTOR IS ONE STEP AHEAD OF ME *EVERY TIME*!

WAIT A MOMENT! IF *THIS* TRAP ROOM IS INTENDED TO KEEP *BRAINSTORM* IN CAPTIVITY...

BRAINSTORM-TRAP-ROOM-DEACTIVATING...

SPIDERMONKEY-TRAP-ROOM-ACTIVATED.

... AND IF *THIS* TRAP ROOM IS DESIGNED TO KEEP *SPIDERMONKEY* IN CHECK...

SQUEEEEAK

... THEN I KNOW *JUST WHAT* TO DO!

SPIDERMONKEY-TRAP-ROOM-DEACTIVATED.

OH, TSK TSK! BACK TO JUST PLAIN OLD BEN TENNYSON, ARE WE? YOU'VE GIVEN UP THAT EASILY?

BEN-TRAP-ROOM-ACTIVATED.

DON'T BLAME YOURSELF. YOU FOUGHT A VALIANT FIGHT.

THINK SO, EH? WELL, MAYBE...

...THE FIGHT'S NOT OVER!

BIG-CHILL-TRAP-ROOM-ACTIVAT--

--*ERROR!* SUBJECT-TRANSFORMING-TOO-QUICKLY.

ABANDON-*BIG-CHILL*-TRAP-ROOM. INSTEAD-ADAPT-TO-*GOOP*-TRAP-ROOM...

WHAT-- WHAT ARE YOU DOING? YOU'RE CHANGING TOO FAST!

GOOP-TRAP-ROOM DISASSEMBLE-- *BZZT BZZT*--ERROR! ERROR! ADAPT-TO-JETRAY-TRAP-ROOM...*BZZT BZZT!* ERROR! ERROR!

STOP!

INITIATE... TRAP-ROOM-FOR-BRAINSTORM... *NO!* HUMONGOUSAUR... *NO!* ERROR! ERROR! *BZZT!* ERR--

YOU'RE OVERLOADING MY CENTRAL COMPUTERS! THE TRAP ROOMS ARE GOING TO... TO...

WHEW. GUESS SOME TRAPS JUST WEREN'T MADE TO HOLD ME.

BEN TENNYSON...

...YOU'VE DESTROYED MY TRAP ROOMS!

YEAH, I DID. AND NOW, COLLECTOR...

...I'M GOING TO "COLLECT" YOU!

ECHO ECHO!

COME OUT, COME OUT, WHEREVER YOU ARE,

COLLECTOR!

YOU SHALL NOT PASS-- BZZT!

URK! NO... DISASSEMBLE...

OH, YOU GOTTA BE KIDDING ME...

YOU'RE THE COLLECTOR?

STAY BACK! BACK!

DON'T COME ANY CLOSER!

FREEZE RAY

WAIT, COLLECTOR! YOU'RE ABOUT TO HIT--

CLICK

ZAPPP

...THE FREEZE RAY.

LATER...

BEN, I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH A *FULLY ARTICULATED* ACTION FIGURE. THE ATTENTION TO DETAIL IS AMAZING. YOU *MUST* SELL IT TO ME!

SLAMMER

YOU AREN'T GOING TO LOWBALL ME AGAIN, RIGHT?

NAME YOUR PRICE!

MAX

DON'T WORRY, MR. OWENS. I WON'T CHARGE YOU TOO MUCH. AFTER ALL...

"...I KNOW HOW YOU *COLLECTORS* ARE."

THE END

MONDAY

RRROOAARRH!

TOYZ "B" ME

HOLD IT *STEADY*, GWEN.

WHAT COMES AROUND...

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FWOOOSH

MAYBE A SHOT OF *FREEZING VAPOR BREATH* WILL *WILT* ITS *FLOWER POWER*!

NOOOOOO!!

WHAT ARE YOU *SUPPOSED* TO BE, THE "HUMAN IRIS"?

IT'S "PRINCESS IRIS"! NOW GIMME MY *PRINCESS DOLLS*!

SOCIETY'S CHURNING OUT THE SUPER-VILLAINS YOUNGER AND YOUNGER THESE DAYS.

YEAH, WHAT'S THE WORLD COMING TO?

FOR *YOU?* IT'S COMING TO *THE END*.

RUSTLE-RUSTLE-

?

TUESDAY

SO WHAT IS IT YOU WANTED TO SHOW ME OUT HERE EXACTLY...?

WELL, YOU SEE, I THOUGHT MAYBE...

OH, SHUT UP AND--

SNAP

HUH?

DID YOU *HEAR* THAT? I *SWEAR* SOMEONE'S BEEN *WATCHING* ME...

UH-HUH. ÷SIGH÷ REAL *ROMANTIC*.

I'M GOING HOME...

WEDNESDAY

HEY, BEN--YOU EVER GET THE FEELING THAT YOU'RE BEING WATCHED?

NOT REALLY. BUT, THEN AGAIN, I DON'T HAVE A *PAROLE OFFICER*.

FUNNY. DON'T TOUCH MY CAR.

YOU KNOW, I COULD SAY THE SAME THING ABOUT *MY COUSIN*.

UH-HUH. BUT I WON'T BE SAYING IT ABOUT *MY FIST*.

KEVIN LEVIN

BEN TENNYSON: FRIEND

SOON, *YOU* WILL FEEL THE LOSS THAT *I HAVE*.

THURSDAY

BURGER QUEEN

BIG MAX 2 FOR $3

YUP. AND?

UH... YOU'RE, UM, *KEVIN*, RIGHT?

I, UH, *FOUND THESE* ON THE GROUND BEHIND THE BUILDING. THEY, UH, HAD YOUR *NAME* ON THEM, SO...

LEMME SEE THOSE...

I DIDN'T WRITE THESE...

Gwen --
Meet me
the
burger joint.
It's important.
-- Kevin

Ben --
Meet me
behind the
burger joint.
It's important.
-- Kevin

OH, NO... *I KNEW IT!* SOMEONE *HAS* BEEN *SPYING* ON US!

DID YOU FIND ANYTHING ELSE HERE?

JUST THIS.

HAPPY FUN-TIME GO!

LILY CONSTRUCTION

REAL SUBTLE CLUE, WHOEVER YOU ARE...

HAPPY FUN-TIME GO! LILY CONSTRUCTION

GWEN! BEN!

I'LL GET YOU OUT--AAARR-GGHHH!

WHO THE HECK ARE YOU?!

I AM THE BEING WHO IS GOING TO *DESTROY YOUR LIFE.*

THE ONE WHO'S LIFE *YOU DESTROYED!*

"IT WAS YOU WHO SOLD WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION TO THE CAROITES--THE MORTAL ENEMIES OF MY PEOPLE, THE MOLAROMITES.

"WITH YOUR WEAPONS, THEY KILLED THOUSANDS OF MY PEOPLE--

"--INCLUDING MY WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN.

"I DEALT WITH THOSE WHO COMMITTED THE VILE ACT..."

... AND *NOW* IT IS TIME TO DEAL WITH THE ONE WHO *SUPPLIED THEM* WITH THEIR *MEANS OF DESTRUCTION*.

YOU *OBVIOUSLY* HAVE NO REGARD *FOR INNOCENTS*-- BUT *I* DON'T PLAN ON KILLING *YOU*. INSTEAD, YOU WILL SUFFER *MY FATE*...

WHEN I *DO AWAY* WITH THOSE WHO MEAN THE MOST *TO YOU!*

I'VE GOT *NEWS* FOR YOU, *OOMPA-LOOMPA*...

I DON'T *NEED* WEAPONS ANYMORE. *I AM A WEAPON.*

AND *THOSE* ARE *MY FRIENDS!*

KA ZZ AA PP

WHAT ARE THESE CREATURES?

THESE ARE OUR ENEMIES. YOU'VE GOT THE CAROITES-- WE'VE GOT THE DNALIENS!

JUST LIKE THEM TO KICK US WHILE WE'RE DOWN.

OH, NO...

WHAT IS IT?

IT'S WHAT WE CALL AN "INNOCENT BYSTANDER." THEY'RE LIKE BAD PENNIES!

YOU GO FREE BEN AND GWEN, I'LL PROTECT THE KID!

WHOA! IS THIS PLACE OPEN ALREADY?

LOOK OUT, YOU DOPE-- DAAAGGH!!!

KEVIN!

GO AHEAD AND SAY IT...

GLADLY.

IT'S HERO TIME!

GOOD OL' *GRADE-A STEEL.*

BUT THAT KID GETS AN "F" IN THE "SAYING THANK YOU" DEPARTMENT.

YOU HAVE OBVIOUSLY *CHANGED.*

IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE.

MY LIFE HAS BEEN FUELED MERELY BY *ANGER AND REVENGE.*

PERHAPS IT IS TIME *I CHANGE* AS WELL.

WELCOME TO THE CLUB.

THE END

BEN 10 CLASSICS

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